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Free admission, concerts at Visitor Complex Oct. 18

KSC clinics offer flu vaccine beginning Oct. 14



◆ NASA 50th Anniversary Celebration at the KSC Visitor Complex — To commemorate NASA's 50th Anniversary, the Visitor Complex is hosting a

day of free admission Oct. 18 for employees and guests, featuring concerts, entertainment and fireworks.

KSC and 45th Space Wing employees and guests can enjoy free admission into the main complex during all hours of operation by showing their badges at the ticket booths. Admission includes exhibits, shows and attractions, including IMAX movies and the Shuttle Launch Experience. Access into the complex does not include the bus tours or admission into the Astronaut Hall of Fame.

Concerts begin at 3 p.m. and feature Big Head Johnny and the Eskimos, Rockit, and popular rock band Survivor. Fireworks will burst over the Rocket Garden following the concerts. For more information, please contact NASA Public Services at 867-2144.

- ◆ Staying Healthy: The Occupational Health Facility, or OHF, has received a supply of influenza vaccine for the 2008-2009 flu season. The vaccine will be administered on a first-come, first-served basis (no appointment necessary) beginning Oct. 14 during normal clinic hours Monday-Friday:
 - OHF (KSC Industrial Area): 7 a.m. 5 p.m.
 - Launch Area Clinic (KSC LC-39 Area, MFF Facility): 7 a.m. 3 p.m.

It is especially important for the following people to be vaccinated:

- People 50 years of age or older.
- Adults with chronic lung or heart disorders including heart disease and asthma.
- Women who will be pregnant during the influenza season.
- Adults with chronic metabolic diseases, such as diabetes.
- Adults with kidney diseases.
- Adults with blood disorders, such as sickle cell anemia.
- Adults with weakened immune systems, such as those with some forms of cancer, on chemotherapy, or people with HIV/AIDS.
- Household members and out-of-home caregivers of infants under the age of 6 months.
- All children 6 months 18 years.

If you have any questions about the influenza vaccine, please call the OHF at 867-3346.

- **Did you know** that recycling 35 percent of our trash reduces greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to taking 36 million cars off the road?
- The Brevard Sharing Centers are in need of support. Federally Employed Women and the employees at KSC have assisted with filling the shelves for several years. FEW would like your help to "fill the pantries" so those less fortunate can receive some needed assistance. Suggested items include canned foods, peanut butter, jelly, packaged rice and pasta meals, and other non-perishable items, as well as personal care items such as toothpaste/brushes, shampoo and cream rinse, soap, shaving cream and razors, toilet pa-

per, baby wipes, and diapers of all sizes. Collection points are listed below:

Laurie Brown	CIF/Lobby	867-4166
Linda Rhode	HQ/1147	867-2455
Joette Feeney	HQ/2209	867-3726
Vickie Hall	HQ/2640F	867-9100
Mary Baldwin	HQ/3144	867-3322
Carol Moore/	HQ/3490	867-8483
Jan Palin		
Jan Palin	HQ/3491	867-8484
Ana Contreras	HQ/3533J	867-1442
Sandy Eliason	LCC/4P23B	861-9309
Lisa Zuber/	O&C/1094	867-7601
Renee Debing		
Jennifer Abernat	hy O&C/3040	867-1696
Cathy Hope	O&C/1010A	867-3056
Brian Luther	OSB/5301D	861-3837
Sandy Shaheen	OSB/6309N2	2 861-4168
Angela Solorio	OSB/6403X	867-3358
Arden Belt	HQ/3321	867-2201
Fayann Hull	SSPF/3042	867-6153

■ NASA Science News says NASA is teaming up with public health organizations to create a pollen alert system that could help people with maladies ranging from common hay fever to serious heart and lung diseases. Read the full story at http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2008/19sep_pollen.htm.

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